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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL VISITOR NOMINATION - UNITED ARAB EMIRATES PART II

REF: DEPT AIRGRAM A-8585, STATE 95038 AND ABU DHABI 0347

A. BIOGRAPHIC DTA FOR PROGRAMMING

1. NAME: H.E. ABDULLAH UMRAN TARIYUM

TITLE: MINISTER OF EDUCATION, U.A.E.

2. SIGNIFICANT POSITIONS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

PRESENT POSITION: MINISTER OF EDUCATION

MEMBER NATIONAL COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

PAST POSITIONS: TEACHER OF HISTORY, SHARJAH EMIRATE

DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, SHARJAH EMIRATE

MINISTER OF JUSTICE, U.A.E.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS: FROM THE ONSET OF THE U.A.E. FEDERATION IN
DECEMBER, 1971, TARIYUM HAS PLAYED A CENTRAL ROLE IN UNIFYING FEDERAL
EDUCATION IN TERMS OF STUDENTS AND PLANT AS WELL AS IN SETTING
GUIDELINES.

1975 HAS SEEN A RISE IN STUDENT ENROLMENT FROM 40,000 IN
1974 TO THE CURRENT FIGURE OF 55,000. AS OPPOSED TO 73
SCHOOLS IN THE U.A.E. AT THE TIME OF FEDERATION IN 1971, THERE
ARE NOW 200. THE MINISTER'S AWARENESS OF AND CONCERN FOR THE
CRITICAL IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION IS A MAJOR REASON FOR THIS

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GROWTH IN U.A.E. EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

3. PERSONAL DATA:

DATE OF BIRTH: 1944 PLACE OF BIRTH: SHARJAH
PRESENT CITIZENSHIP: U.A.E. MARITAL STATUS: MARRIED
SEX: MALE
CHILDREN: THREE
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EDUCATION: SECONDARY SCHOOL, SHARJAH EMIRATE
B.A. IN ECONOMICS, UNIVERSITY OF CAIRO

4. KNOWLEDGE OF ENGLISH: FAIR. INTERPRETER ESCORT IS REQUESTED.

5. KNOWLEDGE OF OTHER LANGUAGES: ARABIC: FLUENT.

B. PROGRAM INFORMATION

POST'S SUGGESTIONS FOR PROGRAM:

TARIYUM REQUESTS AND POST CONCURS THAT IN ORDER TO INSURE MAXIMUM ADVANTAGE OF THREE WEEK VISIT HE BE ACCOMPANIED BY OFFICIAL PARTY OF THREE, WHOSE FULL EXPENSES WILL BE MET BY UAEG. PARTY TO CONSIST OF UNDERSECRETARY OF MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, MR. KHALFAN AL-ROMI; DIRECTOR OF TECHNICAL DEPARTMENT, MR. SALIM GHAMAI; AND DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION, MR. AHMED BU HUSSAIN. POST REQUESTS DEPARTMENT'S CONCURRENCE FOR PROGRAMMING BY IIE TO INCLUDE THESE THREE KEY MINISTRY OFFICIALS IN ADDITION TO TARIYUM. TARIYUM IS MOST ANXIOUS THAT HIS KEY ASSISTANTS PERSONALLY RECEIVE EXPOSURE TO AMERICAN EXPERTISE IN CRITICAL AREAS OF EDUCATION OF THE DISADVANTAGED, TEACHER EDUCATION, ALTERNATIVE SCHOOLS, MANPOWER, AND CROSS IMPACTS OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL CHANGE. IF POSSIBLE WASHINGTON, D.C. STAY, IN ADDITION TO VISIT TO NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION, SHOULD INCLUDE APPOINTMENT LUNCH WITH HEW SECRETARY. TOO, WHILE IN WASHINGTON, MINISTER SHOULD VISIT SAIS (SCHOOL OF ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL STUDIES).
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DEAN OSGOOD AND PROFESSOR ANTHONY, RECENTLY HERE IN U.A.E. TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL FOR U.A.E. CHAIR OF ARABIC AT SAIS, WOULD WELCOME MINISTER.

A TOUR OF PRINCETON UNIVERSITY IS SUGGESTED WITH SPECIAL ATTENTION TO MIDDLE EAST SECTION OF THE LIBRARY. VICE PRESIDENT, HENRY E. BESSIRE, AND INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE, DAVID A. PROBST WHO, WERE RECENTLY HERE IN U.A.E. TO SUGGEST EDUCATION PROPOSALS WOULD HOST VISIT. LUNCHEON WITH PRESIDENT

MIGHT BE ARRANGED.

AS A UNIVERSITY TO WHICH U.A.E. BURSARY STUDENTS WILL BE SENT IN THE FALL, BOSTON UNIVERSITY WOULD ORGANIZE HEALTH TRAINING DISCUSSIONS. DR. DAVID FRENCH IS WORKING WITH ABU DHABI USIS ON BILATERAL MEDICAL AND HEALTH CENTER ARRANGEMENTS. A BOSTON UNIVERSITY VISIT WOULD AFFORD THE MINISTER AND PARTY ON-THE-SCENE INPUT IN STUDENT PLACEMENT PROGRAM.

CONCENTRATED STUDY OF KEY EDUCATION PROBLEMS SUGGESTED AT STANFORD RESEARCH INSTITUTE THROUGH MIDDLE EAST REPRESENTATIVE, WILSON F. HARWOOD. RECREATIONAL VISIT IN SAN FRANCISCO AREA WOULD BE WELCOMED.

SHOULD TIME REMAIN, TARIYUM HAS EXPRESSED INTEREST IN VISITING U.A.E. BURSARY STUDENTS ALREADY ENROLLED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA (CONTACT: DR. KASANDER) AND AT THE UNIVERSITY OF INDIANA (CONTACT: MR. WILSON).

TARIYUM HAS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN VISITING UN WITH ATTENTION TO EDUCATION PROJECTS AS WELL AS RECREATIONAL VISITS TO CAPE KENNEDY, DISNELAND (CALIFORNIA OR FLORIDA), AND YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK.

THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION HAS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN DEVELOPING AN AUDIO VISUAL CENTER IN U.A.E. CAPITAL OF ABU DHABI AND HAVE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH MR. THEODORE H. TRUESDELL OF THE TRUESDELL INTERNATIONAL SYSTEMS ENGINEERS, 567 SAN NICOLAS DRIVE, SUITE 106, NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA 92660. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO FOLLOW UP ON THIS PARTICULAR COMPANY FOR PROGRAMMING.

TARIYUM'S U.S. ARRIVAL SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:

TUESDAY, JUNE 10: ABU DHABI - LONDON VIA BA-801 DEPARTING 09.00 A.M. ARRIVES LONDON 14.15 P.M.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11: LONDON-DULLES VIA BA-002 DEPARTING 10.50 A.M. ARRIVES DULLES 14.00 P.M.

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